# Agenda Item 7



## **Policy and Scrutiny**

Open Report on behalf of Janice Spencer OBE,	
Assistant Director – Children's (Safeguarding)	

Report to: Corporate Parenting Panel

Date: 17 September 2020

Subject: Fostering Annual Report and Statement of Purpose

## **Summary:**

The purpose of the report is to inform the Corporate Parenting Panel of the work of the Fostering Service for the year 2019/2020 in accordance with the requirements of the Care Standards Act 2000, Fostering Services 2011 and Fostering National Minimum Standards. The report provides a written summary of the Service, including relevant performance data, achievements and areas for development.

### **Actions Required:**

That the report be accepted as an accurate overview of the Fostering Service for 2019/2020.

#### 1. Background

Lincolnshire County Council Fostering Service operates within the regulatory framework of the Children Act 1989, Fostering Service Regulations 2011, the Care Planning, Placement and Case Review Regulations 2010 and the National Minimum Standards for Fostering Services. Fostering services are inspected by Ofsted.

NMS 25 requires the service to provide 3 monthly reports on the service operations to the Local Authority executive. A requirement under NMS 16 is that a Statement of Purpose is provided.

#### 2. Conclusion

The report should be accepted as an accurate overview of the fostering service.

# 3. Consultation

a) Have Risks and Impact Analysis been carried out?

N/A

b) Risks and Impact Analysis

N/A

# 4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Annual Fostering Agency Report
Appendix B	Statement of Purpose Fostering

# 5. Background Papers

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